CITY OF ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS BID REQUEST NO. 298-RFPMAILSERV14-15

Sealed proposals to Mail Services for the City of Asheville General Services will be received by Amanda van Roekel in City Hall at 70 Court Plaza, Basement, Asheville NC 28801, until 12 o'clock on 7.16.2014. Proposal forms, instructions and specifications may be obtained at the http://ashevillenc.gov/bids.

Minority Business Plan

The City of Asheville has adopted a Minority Business Plan to encourage participation by women and minority businesses in the award of contracts. Bidders are hereby notified that this bid is subject to the provisions of that Plan. Questions regarding the Minority Business Plan may be directed to, Coordinator for the Minority Business Program, City of Asheville, Post Office Box 7148, Asheville, NC 28802-7148 or by phone at (828) 232-4566 or by e-mail at minoritybusiness@ashevillenc.gov. You can access sources for certified minority firms two at www.ips.state.nc.us/ips/vendor/searchvendor.aspx?t=h and www.doa.state.nc.us/hub to search for vendors. It is the policy of the City to (1) provide minorities an equal opportunity to participate in all aspects of its contracting and procurement programs and (2) to prohibit any and all discrimination against persons or businesses in pursuit of these opportunities. Minority participation goals for procurement contracts are: 5% for African Americans; 2% Hispanic, Asian & Native Americans; and 18% for women-owned businesses.

Bidders are notified of a City policy that prohibits contracting with persons or firms who are delinquent in the payment of ad valorem taxes owed to the City of Asheville.

The City of Asheville reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.